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BX MARGARET E. SANGSTER. Forget them not, O Christ, who stand Thy vanguard in the distant land.

In flood, in flame, in dark, in dread. Sustain, we pray, each lifted head

Be Thou in every faithful breast, Be peace and happiness and rest.

Exalt them over every fear, In peril come Thyself more near.

Let heaven above their pathway pour A radiance from its open door.

Turn Thou the hostile weapons, Lord, Rebuke each wrathful alien horde.

Thine are the loved for whom we cray That Thou wouldst keep them strong and brave.

Thine is the work they strive to do. Their foes so many, they so few.

Yet Thou art with them, and Thy name Forever lives, is aye the same.

Thy conquering name, O I ord, we pray Quench not its light in blood to-day.

Be with Thine own, Thy loved, who stand Christ's vanguard in the storm-swept land.

-The Congreg tionalist.

### God's Ability.

BY REV. A. C. DIXON, D. D.

The power of God is one thing. The ability of God is another. God is allpowerful at all times, but He may not be all-able.

Last Summer, while a party of us were traveling in the mountains, our train suddenly stopped in the woods. and we were compelled to wait in sweltering heat for more than five hours. The engine was full of power Its muscles of steel were at their highest tension, and with the steam escaping in sudden gusts with screeching noise, it seemed to be impatient to be going. But it was unable to move a car. There was power without ability. A bolt had been broken, and until that bolt was mended, and the connection between the engine and the cars restored, the power could not be utilized. Jesus Christ was omnipotence standing among the people, but on one occasion He could do no mighty works because of their unbelief. (Mark 6:5, 6.) The bolt of faith through which His power worked, was broken. And the Holy Spirit is to-day God with us, all-powerful, but He can do no mighty works unless the bolt of faith is in place. Three little words I would have you write in letters of light upon every difficulty you meet

fied, at once the sad faces of the they can give. One who gives much "Yes, they do sing, and I will read heathen began to lighten with a new time to the daily paper does so to the you a song they sing. 'Unto Him joy, and in a short time there were injury of his mind. Many books which that loved us and washed us from our hundreds of happy converts. The should be read require but little time. sins in His own blood.' Notice, they law and Biblical history does not But some time should be given to the have not a word to say about what furnish the bolt that links us with Bible every day. Much time may be they have done. It is all about what God's power to save.

A missionary to the Indians pro- | There are many ways of reading the were up there, and had got there beclaimed the death and resurrection of Bible. One may read it critically. It cause you had been good to your Jesus as the only ground of salvation, may be read for the purpose of prepar- family, there would be one sinner in and some wild savages were soon ing sermons or Sunday-school lessons. Heaven who had never been washed tamed by the power of God. Their Some read the Bible for its literary from his sin by the blood of Jesus. chief said to him one day, "Years ago beauty. Others read it to obtain a a man came and preached to us that knowledge of the principles of governthere was a God, and we told him we ment and law. But the best way to knew that before he came. We wor- read the Bible is to read it devotion- as he answered, was as one waking shipped the Great Spirit whose voice ally. Read it to find out the will of from a dreadful dream. "I never is in the thunder. Another came and God and learn the way of life. Read thought of that before." "God has, told us that we must not get drunk it with an attentive mind, to hear

and abuse our wives, and we knew what the Lord will say. that But you told us that God loves

Reading the Bible devotionally reus, and showed His love by giving His quires great deliberation. The reader Son to die for us. This touches our should be in no hurry to finish a task. hearts. We need a God that loves us. He should not drive himself through you wages, because you had earned And thus the love of God, as manifesta chapter or an entire book at a single them. You could talk to your wife ed in the death of Christ, became the sitting. It may be well to do this about what you had done, and need bolt which linked these Indians with sometimes, but not when reading to not mention the man who paid you. the power of God that enabled Him to kindle his devotions. At such times

let him read a single verse or para-

"save them to the uttermost." "God is able"

well what is contained in the passage. to succor. "In that He Himself hath Turn it over and over in the mind, suffered being tempted, He is able to

and view it in every light. Read it succor them that are tempted." again in the original, if possible, or in some other language. Work it over, The suffering of Christ on the Cross as the ore from the mine is worked enables God to save sinners from guilt, over, in order to secure every particle but it takes the suffering of Christ in

of pure gold. temptation to enable Him to succor Let the word have free course. thou shalt be saved.' them that are tempted. Many refuse Follow it whithersoever it may lead. to accept Christ and confess Him before Give it an open mind. Remove every men because they fear that they will obstruction; let it run and be glorified. not be able to hold out against the Yield the conscience and the affections temptations which they know will come. Such fear is groundless, for as you trust the dying Christ to atone for your sins, you may trust the tempted obedience. If the task be difficult, Christ that now lives to succor you in the hour of temptation. Are you

profitably devoted to a single passage. He has done. Now, suppose you You could not join in the song they sing, could you ?"

The silence grew painful. His look, and wrote a verse for such as you. I'll read it. It is Romans 4:4. 'Now unto him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. When you could work, you received Now if you could get to Heaven by what you have done, there would be graph, and then stop and consider no grace about it. You would be there without a Saviour, and you would have no song."

> The sick man saw the truth, and frankly confessed he was a sinner. The missionary read 1 Titus 1:15, and the man repeated, "To-save-sinners !" Then the missionary read Acts 16: 31. 'Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and

The man did believe, and his hope was founded, not on what he had done, but upon what Christ had done. The next morning, when the missionary to every suggestion it contains. If it called, his face was bright with joy, as be a precept, yield ready and cheerful he said, "Oh, I'll have a song It will be 'Unto Him that loved us, and York Observer.

arise, in the minister's mind, What

shall I do ? What shall you do ! Why,

your duty is plain. If God sent you

at that time and to that place with a

message, he knew just how many

would be present, and it is your duty

all times and under all circumstances,

Here is an incident in the life of

announced to preach in an Eastern

church in behalf of his missionary

work in Colorado. Only six persons

appeared, and it is said for a moment

of congregation was none of his busi-

and he preached his sermon to the six

people. In the collection which fol-

lowed was a single offering of two hun-

dred dollars. This amazed him. The

next day he received a note from a

gentleman asking him to call at such

an office. The bishop responded. "I

am the one," said the gentleman,

"who gave you the two hundred dol-

lars last night. But after getting home

I did not feel quite satisfied with doing

that. I propose to make up the sum

of one thousand dollars, and here is

my check for the balance."-Unknown.

Remember.

writings of Thomas a Kempis could be

read every day with profit. The

wholesome truths they teach should

be stored in the memory and practiced

virtue.

Remember always thy end, and that

The following sentences from the

and leave the results with God.

shrink not back. Give the word of washed us from our sins in His own The man who lives to please himself

Fretfulness. It seems to be natural for some people to fret. If they can find a cause in the realm of the real they take it, but if not in the real they call in their imagination and search one out somewhere in the realm of the possible. Fret they will, and if they have no cause they make one. They do not limit themselves to any particular period of time in their search for

something to fret about. The past is a favorite resort for them and they fret about things that might have been but are past forever quite as freely as about things of the present And even more liberty is taken with the future in their search for things which may be (or may not be )

If in vain they search and find no other cause they even seem sometimes to fret because they have nothing to fret about. Their very happiness, of a very low order to be sure, seems to consist in fretting. Of course, fretfulness causes misery to all associated with the fretter. It is as selfish as it is wrong in other ways. No one can justify it. Don't fret.-Immanuel Messenger.

Whether we like it or not, we live in glass houses. The mind, the memory, the soul, is simply a vast chamber paneled with looking-glass. And upon this miraculous arrangement and endowment depends the capacity of moral souls to "reflect the character of the Lord."-Drummond.

Said a minister at a funeral service "Fourteen years ago to-day this corpse joined this church !" It is to be feared that there are a number of unburied corpses in every church.-New

God ample room. Require daily blood." A few days afterwards he will find that he has a hard master.

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Do you feel wretched, mean an able in the mornings-as tired a you went to bed? It's a serious of -too serious to neglect, and unit have the heart and nervous strengthened and the blood enio



is almost certain to ensure. Mr. H Graham, a we -known young Barrie, Ont., says :- "I have had deal of trouble with my heart f years. I was easily agitated and citement caused my heart to throb I had dizziness and shortness of and often arose in the mornings for tired as when I went to bed. terribly nervous. Milburn's Hear Nerve Pills have done wonders for They have restored my heart tor Lealthy action, giving me back restful sleep, and making my nervo tem strong and vigorous. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pillsar

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"God is able."

And it should be our highest ambition to enable God by meeting the conditions through which His power becomes ability.

### "God is able"

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to save. The death of Christ enables Him to save sinners.

Luther emphasized justification by faith, and he meant by that the justification of the sinner before God. But back of the justification of the sinner is the justification of God. "Being to supply all grace is a never-failing ment again and again. the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood. to declare His righteousness, that He might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus." Through the death of Christ, God can be just, and the justifier of the believer. He who rejects the death of Christ as the ground of his justification, breaks the bolt, and cuts off the power of God to justify at all. God's power to justify becomes ability only through our faith.

And now that the sinner has been justified before God, he will be saved by the living Christ. "Reconciled to be saved by His life." "Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

A prosperous worldly man, whose It must go down into the heart and with no vagueness, shall stand to an-Christian wife hed died praying for his become the substance of our spiritual swer for their deeds; this stern and conversion, was lying awake in the life. "Thy word have I hid in my awful truth, the tremendous sanction darkness of his room, when he heard heart." This is the right place for of Christian holiness, must be forced a voice from a little bed at his side, the word of God. To have it in the on the conscience of a generation that "Papa, it's so dark; take my hand." hand may do no good. To have it in has drifted far from the clear cut dis He took the little hand extended in the memory alone may be a curse inthe dark, and held it gently until the stead of a blessing, for "he that frightened child dropped asleep. Then knoweth his Master's will, and doeth this strong business man looked up it not, shall be beaten with many through the darkness, and said, stripes." "Father, it is so dark; take my hand The apostle James speaks of the as I have taken the hand of my dear "ingrafted word." The process of child. Give me rest of soul for Jesus grafting is exceedingly interesting. By sake." Peace entered his broken this art of the husbandman a living heart, and he rejoiced in full salvation. branch is made to grow into, and be-The sense of helpless weakness had come a part of the stem of another led him to stretch the hand of his soul tree, and to bring forth fruit after its chance of getting to Heaven is pretty thyself, admonish thyself, and, whatand risen from the dead was the hand grafted into the human heart, become for thinking so. Please tell me what thyself. by which God took hold and saved a part of the human life, and bear it is." him in a moment. For him to have fruit unto holiness. asserted his independence would of course have been to break the bolt you richly." Too often other things and I have not intentionally wronged through which God's power became crowd the word of Christ into a very my fellowmen." "It is nice to be While Henry Richards on the Congo ing, but much of the reading of men place do you think Heaven is?" "I breathing tubes prevent sleep through preached the law and Biblical history, and women profits little. The daily think there is no sin or sorrow there, no one was converted; but when he papers should be read, but very little and they sing a good deal." Turning ed lungs is Adamson's Botanic Cough began to preach Christ and Him cruci- time is required to get all the benefit to Rev. 1:5, the missionary said :

tempted to do wrong that you may secure the necessaries of life? Remember, that Jesus was tempted to obey the Devil by turning stones into dwell in you richly." Keep the precious bread. He chose to suffer hunger that He might succor you in a similar temptation. Indeed, He was "in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin," in order that through His sufferings in these temptations He might be able to "succor them that are tempted."

(Hebrews 2:18.)

Are you fearful lest the supply of grace and goods may be exhausted Listen again

### "God is able

# to make all grace abound toward you

good work." (2 Corinthians 9:8.) A Western farmer was startled to find after a storm that the lightning viction. had struck the cistern in his cellar,

and emptied it of water. But a gurgling sound revealed the fact that the same stroke of lightning had split a rock, and opened the way to a hiddenflowing stream. He was glad to remove the debris of his cistern that he might get the supply from the neverfountain. If the shattering of earthly cisterns shall reveal to us this fountain of supply, we shall be blessed indeed. And God in His goodness sometimes demolishes earthly cisterns by lightning strokes of Providence, that we may be led by our sense of helplessness and faith to enable Him to supply all our need "according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." -- Sabbath

### The Indwelling Word

Reading.

It is not enough to study the Bible An intellectual knowledge of the truth is good, but it comes short of our God by the death of His Son, we shall highest need. One might commit the phantom of modern necromancers, but Bible to memory and understand all the man-body, soul, and spirit-the the deep things it contains, and be hands that worked, the brain that able to instruct men in its wonderful thought, the heart that conceived, the doctrines, and yet fail to receive the eyes that lusted, the feet that ran to in daily life : chief benefit which it is able to impart.

fell asleep in Jesus. - Abbie C. Morrow papers, books of science, history, and fiction to give way to this higher truth-

and light. "Let the word of Christ The Small Congregations, On stormy days, or when other untreasure. Hold it fast in memory and

in the affections. When the word of God dwells richly in the soul there will be light. There will be no heresy. There will be no backsliding, no lukewarm spirit. "The entrance of Thy word giveth light." Chris. Advocate.

# Believe in the Resurrection of the Body.

It becomes our preachers to be clear in their understandings. The old that ye, always having all sufficiency foundation truths, which prop the in all things, may abound to every everlasting distinction of right and wrong, sin and purity, must be clearly brought out to knowledge and con-

The truth is that the body is God's: by creation and redemption His-that it is not the soul's prison, but the soul's instrument; the hands to work Christ's service, the feet to travel Christ's way, the brain to plan and the heart to feel for good ; that so man in the flesh is to serve God in his flesh ceasing fountain. The ability of God and by his flesh-this needs re-state-

And that the body's stain is the soul's stain, that man cannot divide his nature and give half and Satan half, that he bears the body's guilt, and his soul's guilt alike, that he cancan lay his sins down in the grave to rot with his body in which they were committed, that his body like his soul is a responsibility and is on probation, that sins against the body are unnatural, against nature, against humanity and against God-this needs clearing, for it is largely forgotten.

And the last awful truth of all, that before the judgment seat of Christ, not the disembodied soul, the vague their lust, these all, with no escape,

This life will mean more when we realize that it is the pathway to the next.

This world is too small to afford a favorable conditions dwarf a congregaplace of safety to the man who distion to a mere handful of people, then obeys God. the question arises, or is likely to

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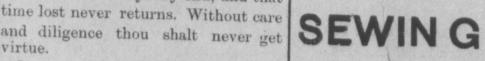
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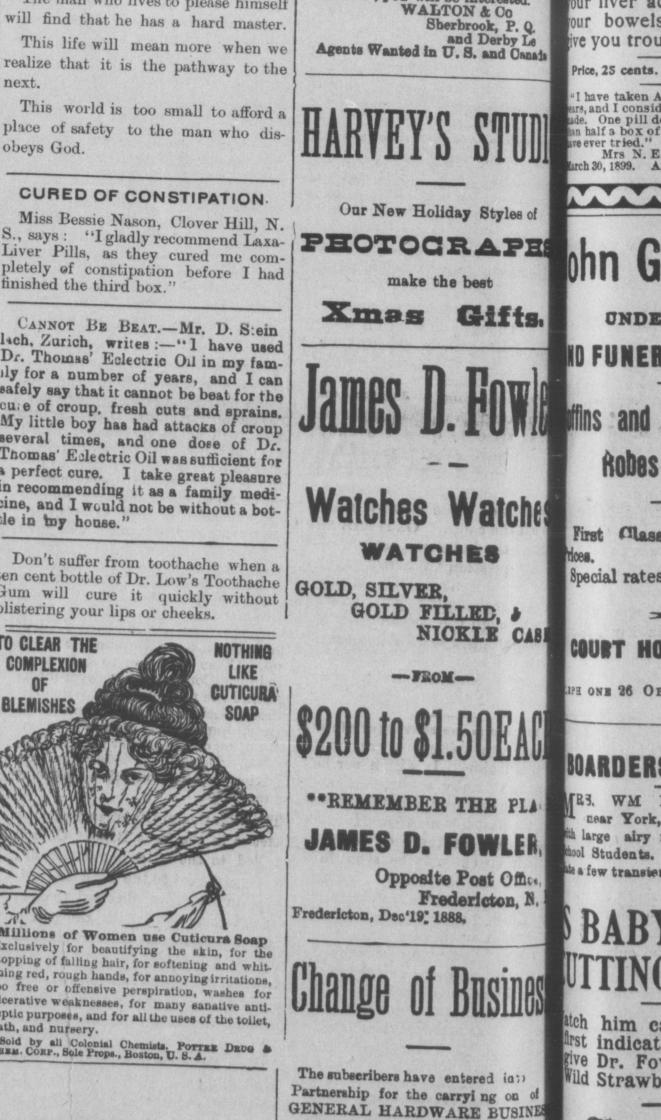


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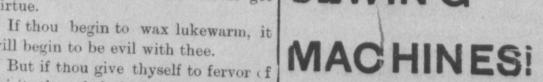
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give no uncertain sound when we repeat the Old Belief--"I believe-in the Resurrection of the Body."-The Bishop of Mississippi in Church News.

### The Only Way.

A Missionary visiting a dying man inquired about his soul. "Well," the good." "You must have some reason ever becomes of others, neglect not

Slowly the answer came, "I have "Let the word of Christ dwell in been kind to my wife and children, thy spiritual profiting. small corner. This is an age of read- able to say that; but what kind of a

But if thou give thyself to fervor spirit, thou shalt find much peace, and In these days the trumpet should | feel less labor, through the assistance of God's grace and the love of virtue. The fervent and diligent man is prepared for all things.

will begin to be evil with thee.

It is harder work to resist vices and passions than to toil in bodily labors. He that avoideth not small faults. by little and little falleth into greater Thou will always rejoice in the evening, if thou spend the day profitably.

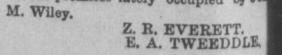
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